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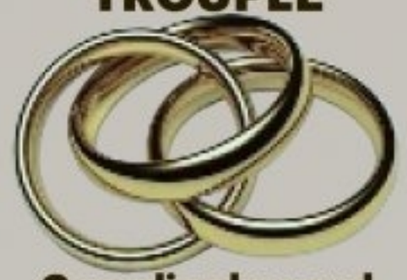

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Rising rents leaving tenants troubled

HOUSING

Concern as study finds city rates on up by almost 10% in one year

May Warren
Metro | Toronto

Jess Gillis counts herself lucky.

The 37-year-old graphic designer pays $550 a month for an Ossington basement apartment she loves — a steal in today's rental market.

But, she often worries what might happen if her landlord sells the place.

"It's more than just anxiety about knowing what the market prices are," she said. "I don't know how people survive in the city. I only know that I do because I have this apartment."

We all know rents are steep in Toronto. But, new data from rental website Rentseeker.ca paints a picture of especially high prices for new renters or people looking to move.

The data draws on hundreds of listings from the site and puts the average price of a one bedroom at $1,215.

It's about 9 per cent higher than the October 2015 average rental price of $1,103 listed by the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation. That number only includes purpose-built rentals and also uses rental prices from people who already have leases.

The Rentseeker numbers are the first real-time data that's been published on Toronto rental listings.

Meanwhile, in Vancouver, a University of British Colombia economist collected similar data on that market from Craigslist ads and found rents increased 15 per cent from April to August alone.

Chaim Rivlin, founder and CEO of Rentseeker.ca, believes the increase in Toronto rents is tied to the hot housing market and a lack of units built for rentals.

"Landlords see housing prices go up and obviously rental prices will go up alongside it because there's limited supply," he said. "It's all supply and demand."

Nineteen-year-old Cheyenne Spence is looking for a place in Toronto and is seeing steep asking prices.

She's used to Montreal where she's found rooms in the downtown core for around $350.

In downtown Toronto, she's looking at between $600 and $800 for a room and more than $1,000 for anything more.

"With the minimum wage students make it's not really plausible. You'd just have to eat ramen noodles every day," she said.

Gillis would like to see regulations that keep rent prices more in line with income.

"One keeps rising and one is really stagnant," she said. "I feel like someone who works full time on minimum wage should be able to afford at least a bachelor apartment."

GOING NORTH: RENT IN TORONTO

$1,021
Average rent for bachelor/studio apartment

$1,215
Average rent for 1-bedroom apartment

$1,442
Average rent for 2-bedroom apartment

$1,612
Average rent for 3-bedroom apartment

NORDSTROM UNVEILING

SPACE opens up a whole new frontier

Nichole Jankowski
For Metro | Toronto

If you build it they will come may seem like an out-of-date axiom for the digital age. But, it's one that upscale Seattle-based department store Nordstrom is betting on with today's opening of a 220,000-square-foot Eaton Centre flagship store.

What's more titillating for fashion enthusiasts than the expansive shopping levels is a much smaller space, aptly named SPACE, on the third floor alongside Collectors' high-end offerings.

Featuring the designs of established cutting-edge and emerging designers, SPACE had humble beginnings as a monthly pop-up — which Olivia Kim, Nordstrom's vice-president of creative projects, called an "entrepreneurial scrappy project within the walls" of the massive retailer. It is now a permanent home within a home in select Nordstrom stores.

The beauty of SPACE is not just in its distinctive design but in its practice of catering to upstart and independent labels. What this flexibility can mean for emerging talent is the difference between missed opportunities and real growth.

Take, for example, 19-year-old Toronto-based designer Vejas Kruszewski, recent recipient of the LVMH Special Prize for young talent.

A coveted appointment with a Barney's buyer early in his career led to unexpected disappointment when the luxury department store wanted to order more units than his small enterprise could reasonably produce.

Strict minimums and delivery schedules can be impossible to meet without upfront capital and a means of scaling production, which is why Kim's behind-the-scenes rule-bending has made it possible for her and Nordstrom to capture some of the country's most exciting up-and-coming names in the industry.

"Some designers have more experience with their business than others and some are literally still working out of their basements needing help make their first invoice," explains Kim.

She says their policy is a way of stating "if you need any sort of help, we are here to do that."

Kim worked with five Canadian designers, including Vejas, to produce exclusive collections of clothing and accessories available only at Nordstrom's Toronto and Vancouver SPACE locations.

With a second 199,000-sq-ft Nordstrom slated to open on Oct. 21 at Yorkdale Shopping Centre, anchoring the new wing of the mall, Toronto will become the only city in North America with two SPACE offerings.

This Vejas wool kimono coat ($2,910) is part of Nordstrom's SPACE wares at the Easton Centre. VEJAS

Rail deck park pegged at $1B

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT

Mayor Tory says report shows project is feasible

To achieve the Mayor John Tory-backed vision of a 21-acre park decked over the downtown rail corridor, city staff estimated it will cost at least $1.05 billion to build.

That is a very preliminary estimate ahead of engineering work and a feasibility study for a massive signature park the mayor has staked his name on. That does not include the cost of purchasing the necessary air rights over the corridor from various rail companies.

The staff report to Tory's executive committee, which meets next week, found that a park stretching 850 metres from Bathurst Street to Blue Jays Way is technically feasible. Staff have yet to do any detailed work on the exact costs or how to pay for it.

They are recommending $2.4 million be earmarked for initial work in 2017, most of which will pay for staffing costs and consultants. It is recommended that $1.2 million of that funding come from a citywide reserve dedicated for new parkland.

"Today's staff report demonstrates important progress on this complex project, and reinforces my belief that this park is both entirely feasible and entirely necessary," Tory said in an emailed statement. "This project has been met with huge support and I am determined to get it done."

Councillor Joe Cressy, who has pushed for new parkland downtown and whose Ward 20 (Trinity-Spadina) would encompass rail deck park, said the city needs to commit to building new parkland despite other budget pressures including transit.

The estimate doesn't include the cost of purchasing the air rights over the corridor from rail companies. COURTESY CITY OF TORONTO

> **I am determined to get it done.**
> Mayor John Tory

"It is a significant investment," Cressy said, stressing the numbers are preliminary, based on comparable parks in other cities. "I think we should address all the priorities. These aren't tradeoffs. If we're a city that is committed to building a livable city and an equitable city, then you need to invest in it."

Staff say they will look at funding options based on the idea that growth should pay for growth, looking at development charges and fees as well as possible donations, sponsorships and government grants, according to the report.

"For a project of this scale and complexity a range of funding solutions will likely be necessary," the report says.

Staff are also asking for direction to possibly rezone the area as parkland to prevent any encroaching development eyeing the space over the corridor in the quickly growing downtown core. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Police to board: Service should embrace body-worn cameras

Toronto police say the service should move ahead with implementing body-worn cameras across the force.

The largest barrier to moving ahead with all officers wearing the cameras is cost, according to a report presented to the Toronto Police Services Board Thursday afternoon.

It would cost $50.2 million to purchase the required cameras, replacements and other equipment, plus necessary software support over a five-year period to implement the cameras across the force, says the report dated June 2016. That does not include an initial $850,353 estimated in annual staffing costs to adopt the cameras and $294,686 in future annual costs, the report says.

"If the challenges identified in the evaluation can be addressed, the use of body-worn cameras by Toronto Police officers would be seen as a powerful indication of commitment to accountability, the desire to strengthen public trust and police legitimacy, and a commitment to ensuring officers are protected from unwarranted accusations of misconduct," the report concludes.

The year-long pilot began in 2014 and included 85 frontline officers in various roles, including the controversial Toronto Anti-Violence Intervention Strategy, which works in high-risk neighbourhoods. Over 10 months, the officers recorded a total 3,706 hours of video. The project was completed just under the $500,000 budget.

Officers who participated noted challenges in understanding the proper procedure, including when cameras should be on or off, but by the end of the pilot all of the officer groups reported stronger support for wearing the cameras than when it started.

32%

Percentage of officers in the body-worn camera pilot program who said it was a positive addition

Other issues included video files being corrupted when batteries on the cameras ran out in the middle of recordings. Asked whether the cameras affected their job, 41 per cent said it hadn't made a difference, 32 per cent said it was a positive addition to their job and 27 per cent said it had been a negative addition.

The number of use-of-force reports filed by officers involved in the pilot slightly decreased from the period before.

"Although conclusions are difficult to draw given the small numbers, the data above may suggest a number of possible influences, including officers who have cameras perhaps hesitating to use force, even when it might be appropriate" the report reads.

A majority of community members surveyed — 94 per cent in Jan./Feb. 2016 — said they strongly supported officers wearing cameras. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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#METROARTSCHALLENGE

Readers wow us with pithy, poignant tales of Toronto

Genna Buck
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Last week, our readers flooded our inboxes with haiku poems about Toronto. Your response was tremendous, and the #MetroArtsChallenge was born.

This week, we asked you for six-word stories about The Six — in the vein of iconic Toronto writers such as Margaret Atwood and Ernest Hemingway. And once again, you rose to the challenge. Here are just a few wonderful examples. It was nigh on impossible to pick three finalists.

If you don't see your submission here, never fear! We received more than 70 short stories; far too many to print. Head to Metronews.ca on Friday to read the rest.

For your new assignment, you'll need to step away from the computer and pick up a pen, or paints, or pastels — any tools you like. Surprise us!

SIX-WORD STORY WINNER

Thunder not bombs. Life in Toronto.

This beautiful ode to peace made us smile and helped us put ourselves in the shoes of those in our city who once lived with the sounds of bombs overhead every day — like Toronto's thousands of refugees. **Bravo, Gail Biceroglu.**

RUNNER-UP

'Condo explosion: Thousands feared too poor.'

Nice play on words, Tom Legge. This was truly a story — an imagined disaster, but instead of an explosion with real flames and rubble, the victims are financially stretched families.

THIRD PLACE

What's that smell on subway?

We've all been there, Charles Shao. Your story transported us to a very specific time and place. Congrats!

Here are two examples to get you started on next week's challenge. The Gardiner scene on the left is by Metro creative director Jason Logan and the pandas were sketched by copy editor Laura Boast.

Some great story submissions

Last winter, raccoons stole my bike.
—Larry Kline

Yonge train surfaces. We too awaken.
—Gideon Forman

Not endangered anymore. Butterball Panda Thanksgiving.
—Angie Griffin

Toronto: Centre of the Universe ... Not!
— Charles Shao

Centre of the (Canadian) universe: confirmed!
—Marcia Docherty

2015 Jays. Nation excitation! Loss pathos.
—Paul Brown

Wings over Lake Ontario. Fall began.
—Gail Biceroglu

Two seasons: winter, construction. Winter cometh.
—Alison Altidor-Brooks

Nailed Mirvish audition. Thanked. Too old.
—Jill Leger

Frying-pan into the fire. Bloor line.
— Francisco G

HONOURABLE MENTIONS

These stories didn't quite meet the requirements — either they didn't have six words, or they weren't about Toronto.
But we think they're great!

Son's bus left. Mother's heart sank.
— Gu Zhenzhen

Lived across the hall. Met online.—Karen Elkin

On the roots of the subway people travel towards a tower tree.
— Andrea Boda

Traffic. Kids on bikes arrived first.
—Jesse Kline, 9

YOUR NEXT CHALLENGE

The #MetroArtsChallenge this week: Make a piece of visual art inspired by your Toronto. Paint a picture, sketch a scene, create a collage — anything. But your canvas must be a **sticky note** (any colour!). **Email genna.buck@metronews.ca or tweet @MetroNewsCanada**

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URBAN PLANNING

Moss Park redesign gets mixed reaction

A new Moss Park is taking shape on paper as residents continue to worry what a growing neighbourhood means for the rare downtown green space.

A more-than-$100-million community recreation centre proposed to replace the existing John Innes Community Recreation Centre — the only recreation centre in the increasingly dense downtown ward — is being pitched as the antidote to pending gentrification.

This week, residents got the first look at what's being proposed: a multi-storey building that stretches much of the width of the park on the western edge to include new ice pads, gyms and gathering spaces. City council has yet to see a feasibility study or make any decisions about the park.

It's an early concept, designers stressed at a meeting in the park Wednesday night, after the city and community agency, the 519, partnered to consult some 1,800 people.

MacLennan Jaunkalns Miller Architects, who are responsible for the much-lauded Regent Park Aquatic Centre, which opened in 2012, are responsible for the design of the community centre. On Wednesday, they heard both condemnation and commendation.

Residents groups chastised what they said was a lack of consultation with neighbours, despite three previous meetings, outreach and updates on a dedicated website.

> **My problem is they completely ignored the neighbours.**
> Bill Colvin, Garden District Residents Association

Bill Colvin, president of the Garden District Residents Association, said he is concerned the new centre and its service and parking entrances backing onto Shuter St. will impede traffic on the local throughway.

"They sprung it on people at the last meeting," he said. "My problem is they completely ignored the neighbours."

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Artist renderings of the plans to reshape the Moss Park area. CONTRIBUTED

Annie McCullough is one of the Recovery Day organizers. It's been eight years since she started the journey of recovery from alcoholism. Now, as the national marketing director for Edgewood Health Network, she is helping people find their way out of addiction. EDUARDO LIMA/ METRO

'All you need to do is raise your hand'

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Recovery Day organizer talks addiction, how to ask for help

Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

Annie McCullough doesn't look back at her teenage years — and much of her adult life for that matter — with pride.

At the tender age of 14, she picked up drinking habits that quickly escalated into addiction. That was three years after her father died of alcoholism.

"I had a very chaotic upbringing in an alcoholic home," she said. "I was left to my own devices a lot of times and started partying very early."

Things got even worse when she moved to Vancouver in 1994 and worked as a DJ. She wasn't a daily hard drinker, but her nights and weekends were always filled with binge drinking and drug use.

Eventually, after 23 years of excessive drinking, she "hit rock bottom" about eight years ago.

"I was very sick, I was very hungover all the time," she said. "Then there was that moment of clarity when I looked myself in the mirror and realized that's not who I am.

"I just knew in my gut that I was done drinking."

CHECK IT OUT

Toronto Recovery Day will be marked at noon Sunday at Mel Lastman Square. Dubbed "Sober In The 6ix: The Stories Of Recovery," the event will include medical experts speaking about addiction, as well as personal stories of recovery.

Today, McCullough works as the national marketing director for Edgewood Health Network, a project helping people find their way out of addiction. She's also the co-founder of Faces and Voices of Recovery Canada.

Over the past four years, McCullough has been helping organize Toronto Recovery Day, an initiative aimed at spreading hope about addiction recovery through sharing stories of people who've overcome the challenge.

"We want to show people that recovery is possible," she said. "All you need is to raise your hand and say 'I need help.' There should be no shame in that."

SATURDAY

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Nathan Phillips not so square

ARCHITECTURE

Despite split opinion, iconic T.O. landmark gains prestige

Luke Simcoe
Metro | Toronto

A group of mostly local architects are being given the Governor General's Medal in Architecture for their work revitalizing Nathan Phillips Square. EDUARDO LIMA/METRO

One of Toronto's most polarizing public spaces is being handed one of the country's most prestigious architecture awards.

On Sept. 20, the architects who oversaw the revitalization of Nathan Phillips Square will be awarded the Governor General's Medal in Architecture.

First unveiled in 1965, the square had fallen into disrepair by 2007, prompting the city to issue an international design competition to spruce it up.

The winner, a consortium of mostly local architecture firms, was tasked with taking original architect Viljo Revell's hyper modernist design and bringing it into the 21st century.

"We were deferential," said Andrew Frontini, design principal at Perkins + Will. "Architects often want to make their mark, but the right thing to do was create things that were sympathetic and helped make city hall and the square work better."

Frontini, along with architects and landscapers from PLANT Architect Inc., subtly overhauled the square, installing a new stage and a theatre, as well as a massive green roof and new streetscaping along the exterior.

Construction was done in three stages beginning in 2010 and only completed this year. For Frontini, the culmination of all their work was seeing thousands of people gather in Nathan Phillips Square for the Pan Am Games.

"Those gatherings wouldn't have been possible without updating the square. It was too cluttered," he said.

Revell's design, including the space-age sculpture that is city hall, was popular with residents when it was unveiled, but some contemporary Torontonians view it as a dated eyesore.

> **We should build great public spaces for people.**
> Andrew Frontini

Frontini vehemently disagrees, but he understands why people feel that way.

"You can't ignore it. It's the most unique structure in the city. It's unusual," he said. "Anything that unique is going to polarize people."

Nathan Phillips Square is the largest city square in Canada, and Frontini hopes the award will encourage more thoughtful design of public space in Toronto.

"A lot of the distinctive buildings on our skyline are increasing density, but what are they giving back? " he said. "Where do we get together? Where do we celebrate? We need more spaces like that as the city grows."

MARKHAM

Celebration of Andre De Grasse and fellow Olympic athletes

Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

The city of Markham is planning to give another round of applause to its very own Andre De Grasse and other Olympians.

Hundreds of people are expected to fill the streets of Markham on Sunday for a parade celebrating the 21-year-old sprinter's performance at last month's Games in Rio.

BE THERE

Sunday's parade starts at noon from the Crosby Arena, heading to the Markham Pan Am Centre for a party.

De Grasse has already entered the city's history books. As he was busy challenging the Usain Bolt for the title of world's fastest man, Markham mayor Frank Scarpitti officially declared Aug. 14 Andre De Grasse Day.

It marks De Grasse's first medal in Rio. He went on to win two more — marking the most hardware a Canadian sprinter has ever earned at the Olympics.

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Sunday will be an occasion for the public to interact with De Grasse and other athletes who represented the city in Rio, including, among others, hurdler Phylicia George, badminton player Michelle Li, fencer Maxime Brinck-Crouteau and table tennis star Mo Zhang.

"It's important for our community to celebrate the achievements of our youth," Scarpitti said. "What's more inspiring than young people from their own community achieving Olympic levels?"

Skunky summer: City sees spike in calls

WILDLIFE

'There is no way' the population has increased, says expert

Kathleen Minor has been living in the Trinity Bellwoods neighbourhood for seven years, and said she has never seen so many skunks in the area.

"We see one almost every night," said Minor, who works in security and often walks to her home near Shaw St. between Queen St. and Dundas St. late at night. "It was consistent all summer. I've never had so many close calls with skunks as I did this year."

She's not alone. With skunk being spotted in neighbourhoods across the city, it raises the question: are skunks the new raccoon in Toronto?

The City of Toronto's Animal Services department does not keep track of mere sightings of skunks but between February 1 and April 21 of last year, Animal Services responded to 72 calls about dead or injured skunks. During the same period this year, 339 such calls were received.

However, Nathalie Karvonen, executive director of the Toronto Wildlife Centre, said "there is no way" the population of skunks in the city has increased substantially in 2016. Denise Smith, president of Innovative Care of the Environment (ICE), a wildlife removal company, says there's often more calls this time of year because it's what she calls "baby season" for skunks.

"They're all little stinkers, basically teenagers at this point," said Smith.

"The skunk population has remained fairly consistent. It's this time of year when they're having babies so you'll have a lot more sightings, often during the daytime, which freaks people out a little bit."

Karvonen said people shouldn't be concerned about rabies when it comes to skunks, conceding that the disease does show up once in a while, as it does in every animal population.

"We got 30 calls about raccoons on Christmas Day alone last year," she said. "It's still vastly all about raccoons."

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It's 'baby season' for Toronto's skunk population.
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

TRAFFIC TAKE IT SLOW, MAN Speed limits in Kensington Market were temporarily lowered to a mere 10 km/h Thursday as part of a tongue-in-cheek protest over drivers speeding through the famously pedestrian friendly neighbourhood. The Urban Repair Squad, a local activist group known for humorous interventions into public space, covered up the legally posted signs with those demanding a slow down, claiming it was done on behalf of beleaguered drivers. "The risk of scratching your paint job by sideswiping a stroller or staining your hood with the blood of a longboarder has become too high," read a note attached to the new signs. "It's more than any automobile addict can bear!"
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TRANSIT

Fare changes mean problems for poor

The Presto fare card system is supposed to help modernize the TTC. But what's being done to make sure it doesn't leave the transit agency's most vulnerable customers behind?

That could mean big changes for dozens of drop-in centres, homeless shelters, and other social service agencies that distribute thousands of TTC tokens to their marginalized clients each year.

According to Elis Ziegler, manager of the Toronto Drop-In Network, community agencies have been left in the dark about how they will provide transit support to clients once Presto is in place and tokens are eliminated.

"The token system as distributed by non-profits is challenging enough. The problem is that we don't know what that replacement is going to be," Ziegler said.

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ARTIST'S TAKE TORONTO'S ONLINE DATING SCENE

SOUGHT LOVE, FOUND LAUGHS

Emmie Tsumura was having a bad year. She had just broken up with a long-time partner, and a foray into online dating turned up plenty of fish but no keepers. She had turned to the Internet to find love but ended up finding inspiration. She started sketching profile pics and pickup lines she received, posting them on Instagram using the handle OK Cucumber. ALL IMAGES BY EMMIE TSUMURA

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ABOUT THE WORK

One day I started drawing the messages I got and sent them to a friend. She laughed so hard, I knew I had to draw more. The illustrations are all drawn in ink, using sumi-e brush painting techniques on Canson marker paper.

For me, OK Cucumber is like a graphic survey that people can compare their own experiences to. It's the thing that happens before you find yourself waiting in a café for a stranger to arrive. When I started sharing them on Instagram, I saw that people really wanted to talk about it. We talked about how these faces were people we might see on the subway, at the library or in a bar. We discussed the best ways to approach people online. We talked about how we texted for weeks with a stranger and finally got to meet them. We remembered that time we went out with someone and then, suddenly, they vanished from our lives. We talked about how technology was changing the way we desire and the way we search for love.

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Finding a feathered friend

150TH BIRTHDAY

Panel of experts will choose National Bird

Rebecca Williams
Metro | Toronto

THE CONTENDERS: 1. The common loon 2. The grey jay 3. The snowy owl 4. The Canada goose 5. The black-capped chickadee

Canadians have associated different birds with our identity for years. The common loon is on our dollar, the Blue Jay is the mascot of our baseball team and of course there's the Canada goose to consider.

Despite all that, and the more than 450 species of the things across the country, Canada does not actually have a national bird. One project has decided to change that.

Last year, Canadian Geographic created the National Bird Project in effort to help designate an official bird for Canada by 2017.

Canadian Geographic put out the call to Canadians for their opinions on which bird would best represent our sprawling landscape from coast to coast.

"We asked Canadians to help find a species that could represent this nation of forest, prairie grassland, Arctic and sub-Arctic, maritime and wetland, agriculture and urban areas and many other habitats."

The bird project offered up 40 of the country's top birds and asked the country to vote on their favourites.

According to the project, more than 10,000 voted for different birds, not only from every province and territory but even Canadian expats scattered across the globe.

In fact, it seems Canadians are so passionate about our favourite feathered friends that some provided essays along with their vote, explaining why their choice of bird flies above the rest.

Voting closed at the end of August and the National Bird Project tallied the numbers to create a top five, with the common loon leading the flock.

Now it's up to a panel of experts to decide which will become Canada's national bird in time for the country's sesquicentennial, otherwise known as its 150th birthday.

The Royal Canadian Geographical Society is hosting an event, where the panel members, which include Steven Price, the president of Bird Studies Canada, and poet laureate George Elliot Clarke, will make their case for which fowl should take the top crown.

"The Great Canadian National Bird Debate" will take place at the Canadian Museum of Nature in Ottawa on Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. Tickets are available for $10 or, if you can't make it to the nation's capital, you can stream the debate live on YouTube.

FAMILIES

The 'trouples' trials

Evelyn Harford
For Metro | Ottawa

Polyamorous families in Ottawa face unique legal challenges that take the old relationship phrase "it's complicated" to a whole other level.

One woman, who identifies as polyamorous, lives with her husband and wife in the Ottawa area. She didn't want to be named to avoid outing herself and her partners, who could face repercussions in their personal and professional lives.

For two years, the woman has lived in the same house with her two partners and their three kids, , though the trio have been an item for much longer. She says being in a relationship with two people means she can't be legally married to both, which creates complications when it comes to parental rights, insurance, taxes and other legally binding contracts.

If her husband died, she would have no legal basis to see her stepchildren because she is only married on paper to her wife. Nor can she list both partners as next of kin visitors if ever she is rushed to the hospital.

"I can't have both partners at my bedside if I was dying in the hospital," she said. "And that's the last place you want to think about poly rights."

DEFINED

Trouple
A three-way couple in a long term relationship
SOURCE: URBAN DICTIONARY

IN BRIEF

Man jailed in China now free
Kevin Garratt, the Canadian man suspected of espionage and detained by China since 2014, has returned to Canada, Torstar News Service has confirmed.

His father Ross Garratt said he learned last night through another of his sons that Kevin would be coming home, and said he is back in Canada now.
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Clinton returns campaign trail

U.S. ELECTION

Candidate walks on to James Brown's 'I feel good'

Hillary Clinton resumed her campaign Thursday. GETTY IMAGES

Back on the campaign trail, a reflective Hillary Clinton said Thursday her three-day, doctor-mandated break gave her new perspective on why she's running to be president. She vowed to close her campaign against Donald Trump by giving Americans "something to vote for, not just against."

Clinton made no apologies for keeping her pneumonia diagnosis from the public until a video emerged showing her stumbling and being supported by aides. She also repeatedly sidestepped questions about when her running mate Tim Kaine was informed.

An upbeat Clinton walked onstage at a rally in North Carolina to James Brown's song, "I feel good." She said that while sitting at home this week was "pretty much the last place I wanted to be," the time helped clarify how she wants to close her campaign against Trump.

"We're offering ideas, not insults," she said in a jab at Trump. "A plan that will make a real difference in people's lives, not prejudice and paranoia."

The rally marked Clinton's first public appearance since Sunday, when she abruptly left a 9/11 memorial service after getting dizzy and dehydrated. She had been diagnosed with pneumonia Friday, but the campaign informed the public only after the video of an ill Clinton emerged.

The incident prompted fresh questions about both candidates' openness regarding their health. Trump released a new letter from his doctor Thursday detailing his blood pressure, cholesterol and medications, one day after Clinton made public a letter from her physician with similar information. Both candidates' doctors declared them fit to serve as president.

Trump's letter said the Republican is 6 feet 3 inches and 236 pounds — giving him a body mass index falling into the "overweight" range. The 70-year-old has blood pressure of 116 over 70, and his total cholesterol is 169, his doctor says.

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A polar bear stands on a ice flow in Baffin Bay. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CLIMATE CHANGE

Arctic sea ice keeps shrinking even more

Arctic sea ice this summer shrank to its second lowest level since scientists started to monitor it by satellite, with scientists saying it is another ominous signal of global warming.

The National Snow and Ice Data Center in Colorado said the sea ice reached its summer low point on Saturday, extending 1.6 million square miles (4.14 million square kilometres). That's behind only the mark set in 2012, 1.31 million square miles (3.39 million square kilometres).

Centre director Mark Serreze said this year's level technically was 10,000 square kilometres less than 2007, but that's so close the two years are essentially tied. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GERMANY

Far right, migrants in conflict

Dozens of police officers intervened as groups of far-right Germans and young asylum seekers clashed in an eastern German town that has seen racist incidents, officials said Thursday.

Around 80 Germans and 20 migrants attacked each other Wednesday night in Bautzen, a town between Dresden and the Polish border, local police spokesman Thomas Knaup said.

Officers were assailed with wooden sticks and bottles thrown by some of the asylum seekers as they tried trying to separate the groups as they brawled in a town square, police said.

The far-right protesters shouted nationalist slogans and followed the asylum seekers back to their shelter while police tried to keep the groups apart.

Police used pepper spray and batons to protect themselves and to separate the two sides, authorities said. Police said they were trying to identify the individuals who participated in the fighting.

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Feds can help startups, minister says

INNOVATION

Ottawa should make use of its purchasing power: Bains

The Canadian government will use its purchasing heft to help young companies scale up by focusing on awarding contracts to homegrown startups, the federal innovation minister said Thursday.

"The government is in a very unique position. We are the largest purchaser of goods and services, we really are a marquee customer for a lot of these companies," said Navdeep Bains, minister of innovation, science and economic development in an interview.

"So how can we use government to really help invest in some of these technologies, some of these innovations, some of these ideas and become a customer for them? When we become a customer for them they can go abroad and brag about doing business in Canada."

The minister provided an update at the Waterloo Innovation Summit Thursday on the government's consultations for its "innovation agenda," which is expected to be revealed in next year's budget.

He believes the government has a crucial role to play in funding early-stage research in fields considered too risky for private sector investment.

While Canadians start more than 70,000 companies each year, only about five per cent of those businesses go on to become "high-growth" companies, with 20 per cent growth in three consecutive years, Bains said. "Canada can do better."

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WAGES

Education narrows gender gap: Study

A global education study reveals larger-than-average earning gaps between Canadian men and women, but that narrows as women pursue higher levels of study.

The report from the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development analysed data from 35 member countries and 11 partner countries.

Among 25- to 64-year-olds with less than a Grade 11 education, Canadian women earned 61 per cent of what men earned in 2014, compared with the 76 per cent average across OECD countries.

Canadian women who achieved post-secondary studies fared a bit better at 72 per cent of what men earned, which is comparable to the OECD average of 73 per cent.

In other data, Canada had the largest share of adults with post-secondary education but a lower-than-average share of masters and doctoral degrees in 2015. Last year, 55 per cent of Canadian adults had post-secondary education, the highest share among OECD countries compared to an average of 35 per cent.

Canada also spends more per post-secondary student than almost all of the OECD countries, at US$21,500. That places Canada sixth overall, after Luxembourg, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States.

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STATISTICS CANADA

Household debt now at record levels

The amount Canadians owe compared with how much they earn hit a new record in the second quarter, driven in part by the country's hot housing markets.

The ratio of household credit market debt to disposable income climbed to 167.6 per cent in the second quarter compared with 165.2 per cent in the first quarter. The increase means households owe about $1.68 in credit market debt for every dollar of disposable income.

The growth came as household credit market debt climbed two per cent, while disposable income increased 0.5 per cent in the quarter.

BMO Capital Markets senior economist Benjamin Reitzes said the increase in the debt ratio was consistent with a usual seasonal trend — with the second quarter the strongest period for housing markets and thus mortgage debt growth.

The Bank of Canada has identified household debt as a key risk to the economy.

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MONEY LAUNDERING

Report flags real estate

The Paris-based Financial Action Task Force is raising serious concerns that organized crime is using Canada's hot real estate sector to funnel cash. Its report also identifies charitable and life insurance as at risk of helping terrorists and criminals. Of particular concern are real estate schemes in which a foreign or domestic criminals provides cash to a local buyer.

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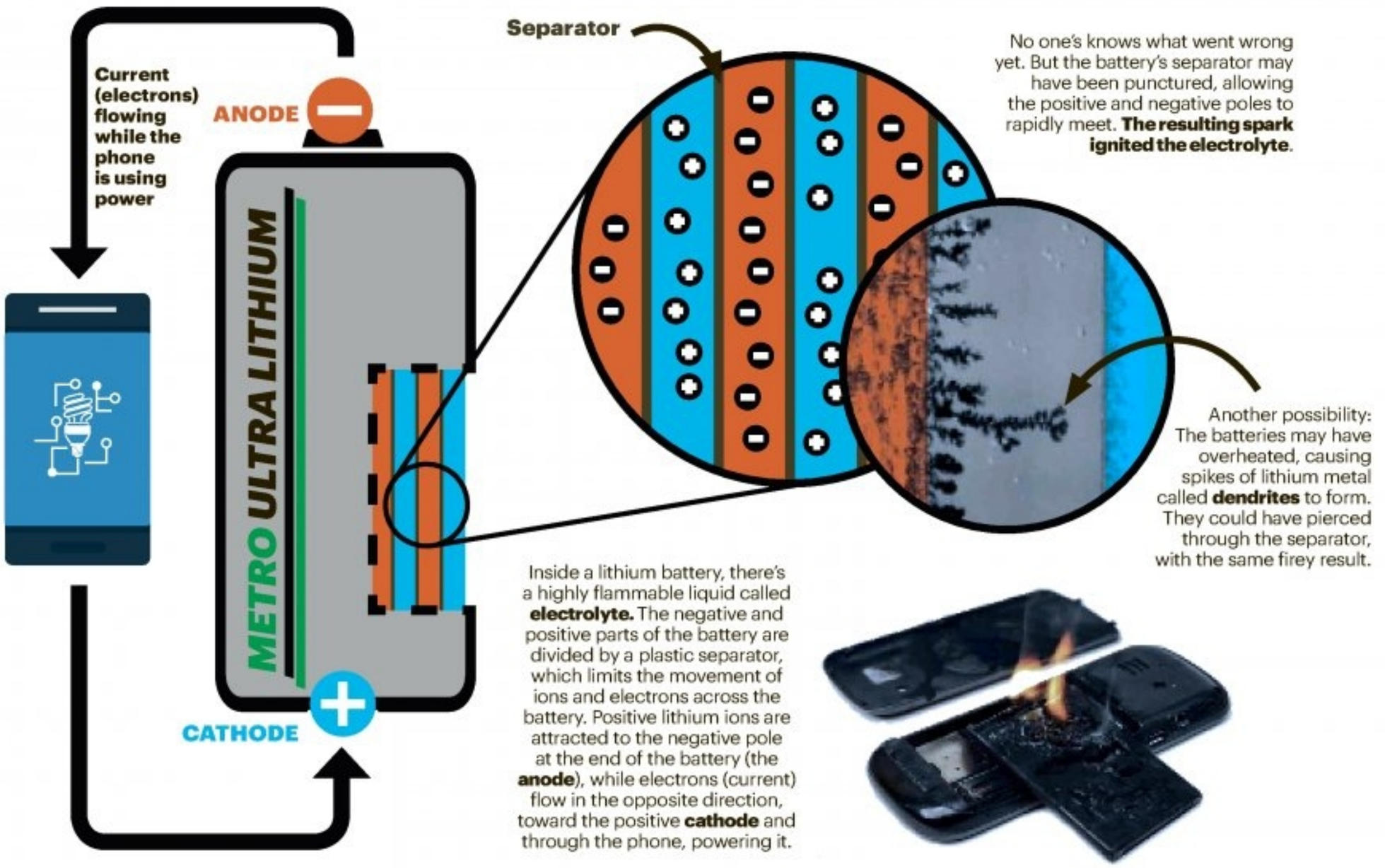
WHY ARE BATTERIES BLOWING UP?

A million Galaxy Note 7 phones have been recalled for an explosive reason: They're catching fire. According to Samsung, a manufacturer's defect has led to dozens of cases of lithium-ion batteries short-circuiting and bursting into flames. **Here's your answer to the burning question: How did this happen?**



Inside a lithium battery, there's a highly flammable liquid called **electrolyte.** The negative and positive parts of the battery are divided by a plastic separator, which limits the movement of ions and electrons across the battery. Positive lithium ions are attracted to the negative pole at the end of the battery (the **anode**), while electrons (current) flow in the opposite direction, toward the positive **cathode** and through the phone, powering it.

No one's knows what went wrong yet. But the battery's separator may have been punctured, allowing the positive and negative poles to rapidly meet. **The resulting spark ignited the electrolyte.**

Another possibility: The batteries may have overheated, causing spikes of lithium metal called **dendrites** to form. They could have pierced through the separator, with the same firey result.

FINDINGS
Your week in science

EBOLA HANGS AROUND
The Ebola virus that swept West Africa in 2014-2015 is sneakily lingering in survivors, research in the journal Nature shows. It can stay in semen at least 18 months, far longer than thought. And the first case of spread via breast milk has been reported, though the mother wasn't sick.

IT'S OUT THERE
By analyzing elements in the Earth's crust, researchers from Western University concluded our planet has the same chemical origins as nearby objects in the solar system — a finding light years away from previous science.

SOUND SMART

DEFINITION
We see **redshift** when a distant object, like a star, is moving away from the Earth. When an object travels away, its light waves get stretched. Their frequency is reduced, which means the light is **shifted** toward the **red** end of the electromagnetic spectrum.

USE IT IN A SENTENCE
Mercedes thought the object she was looking at through her telescope was a red planet. But it wasn't Mars! The light appeared red because of **redshift**.

CITIZEN SCIENTIST by Genna Buck

I have no chill about crystal crap

What do you think about healing crystals? —L.B., Toronto

Readers, I'll let you in on a secret: This question came from a co-worker who enjoys watching me theatrically scream, "That's not how this works! That's not how any of this works!" when crystals are mentioned in my earshot.

I have no chill about crystals or any of the "alternative," "complementary," "holistic" forms of "healing" that claim to harness, unblock, channel or otherwise manipulate "energy" or "qi."

My sarcastic-quotation-mark key is getting a workout today!

Here's why I hate this stuff so hard: Proponents of reiki, chakra crap, etc., talk about "energy" acting on the body as if the word "energy" exempts them from explaining themselves further.

As if scientists will say: "Ooooh, spooooky! Energy! There's no way for me to detect or measure that!"

Guys. You know this. Energy is real. It cannot be created or destroyed. It is the capacity to perform work or generate heat.

Yes, that sounds a bit weird and vague. I think of it this way: Energy makes things happen in the world. It can be stored as potential, chemical or nuclear energy, or expressed in the form of motion, sound, light, radiation, heat or electricity (there's a bit more to it than that, but no room for a full physics lesson here).

Bottom line: If it's not that, it's not energy. Only energy can make work happen. "Qi" can't heal your headache or remove your "toxins" or anything else because it Does. Not. Exist.

That's why I tend to lose it on the crystals crowd. They claim their esoteric energy is powerful enough to heal, but too subtle and magical to be detected with scientific instruments. *And we can detect the earth wobbling by less than the width of an atom.*

Woo like this is largely harmless. It even comes with some chill vibes and a nice placebo effect. But I just can't be chill about it. I'm not feeling the energy.

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In Blair Witch, James (James Allen McCune, centre), sets out into the woods in search of his sister, who disappeared in the '90s while making a doc about the Blair Witch. CONTRIBUTED

If you go out in the woods today...

CAST INTERVIEW

Blair Witch sequel mixes body horror and primal fear

Richard Crouse
For Metro Canada

The long-awaited Blair Witch Project follow-up doesn't have a theme song, but if it did I'd suggest Teddy Bear Picnic. In particular the line, "If you go out in the woods today you're in for a big surprise," because, boy, there are some shockers in the movie's dense woods.

"When I saw our film I was scared," says Corbin Reid who plays Ashley in Blair Witch, in theatres today.

"I actually had chills," chimes in co-star Wes Robinson. "I thought that was cool because I don't think that's an easy feat for someone who was there shooting it, who read the script and knew everything that was going to happen. It is the combination of the shots and the sound design and everything."

Shot last year with the woods of Squamish, B.C., subbing in for the story's haunted woods, the movie follows James (James Allen McCune) who was only four years old when his sister vanished while making a 1994 documentary about a witch said to haunt the Black Hills near Burkittsville, Maryland. James thinks his sister may still be alive. Cue the jump scares, red herrings, things that go bump in the woods and close-ups of scared young people.

"Not to get too macabre," says Corbin, "but I think one of the reasons people are attracted to horror is because you're dealing with death in a safe space. It is something unknown to everyone. We don't know what happens after we die, but you get this fictional setting that you can live it out in. There is something about exposing yourself to your fears. If you can laugh at it or move through it, it forces you to deal with it. You become the master of it."

Robinson praises director Adam Wingard's skill at scare making. "Adam always gives you a real sense of security in his films. Then when you're not expecting it, he takes it away."

"It gives you time to really sink into the psychological aspect of it," adds Corbin. "You establish the relationships, and then you have something to lose. It's not just trick after trick after trick. That's the thing I love about the filmmaking. It's not cheap. Everything is earned and everything is smart. It is thought out. I think that's why there is such an effect."

In Blair Witch, Wingard does a good job with body horror — ick — and primal fears of the dark, small spaces in the unknown. "Everyone's fear is represented at some point in this movie," says Wes.

Corbin and Wes spent two months in the woods shooting and getting inside the new story, but how familiar were they with the 1999 film? Corbin was just eleven years old when the original movie caused a sensation but that didn't stop her from trying to see it. "I went with my sister and she didn't know it was rated R," she says. "She got in but my mom had to come pick me up."

"I actually saw it in the theatre," says Wes. "I was with a lot of adults. We went to see it and it traumatized me. It's weird where life takes you, though, because I had no idea when I watched it that I would do the sequel one day."

MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

Bridget Jones's Baby	★★★
Snowden	★★★★
Blair Witch	★★★★

HOW RATING WORKS
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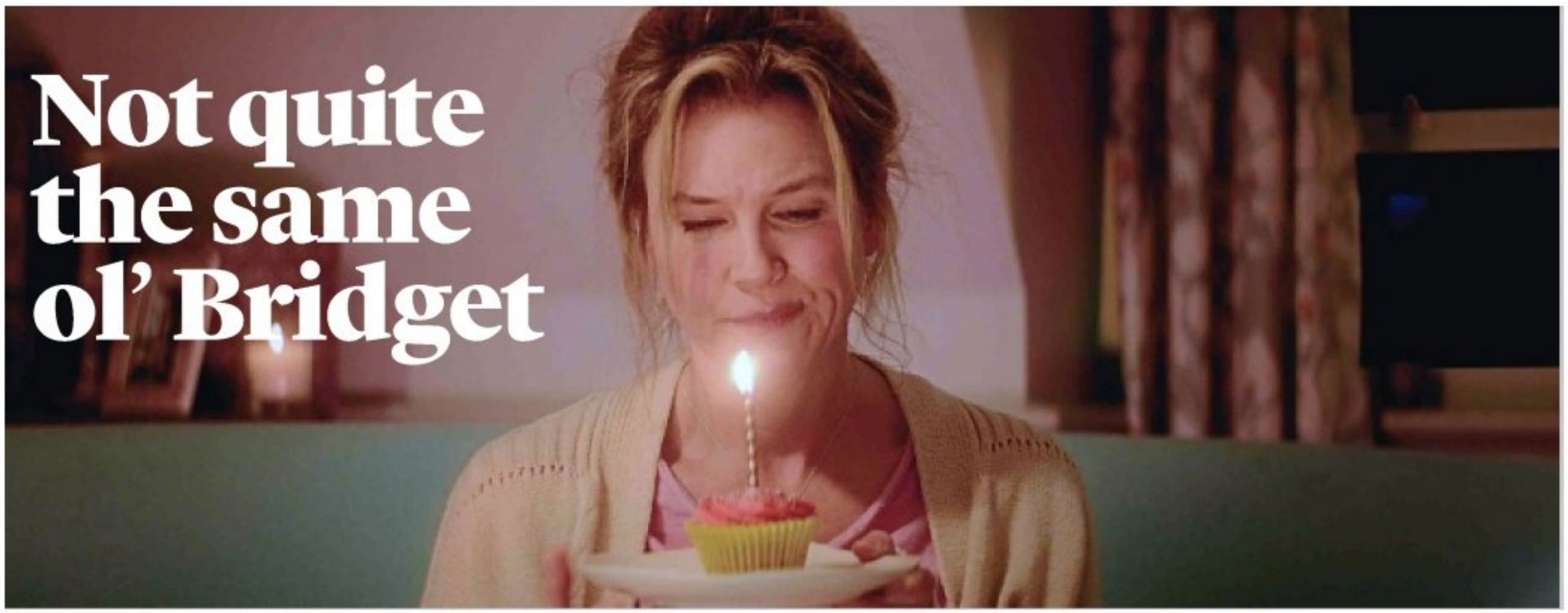
Not quite the same ol' Bridget



She might be eating dessert alone in that same old London flat on that same old couch listening to the same old Celine Dion song, but it's not tragic. It just is. Her friends all flaked on her and so she has a night by herself. The sense is "whatever" not "woe is me." CONTRIBUTED

Renee Zellweger is charming as ever in Bridget Jones's Baby, a lively return to form for the unlikely trilogy about an ordinary woman and her professional and romantic woes. Cut to 12 years later (between movies), Bridget is in her 40s and Mark Darcy has gone off and married someone else. But this is an evolved Bridget.

When one part of your life starts going OK...

The film lacks Hugh Grant's naughty playboy Daniel Cleaver — who is going to advise Bridget to "invest in lockable knickers?" But his absence is explained with such wry humour, and newcomer Patrick Dempsey fits in so well. He's a single, not sleazy relationship guru who is immediately smitten with Bridget. She has a good time with Jack when she and new BFF Miranda (Sarah Solemani) go on an ill-advised pop festival camp-out, and after the fling goes on her way.

...another falls spectacularly to pieces

A few weeks after her tryst with Jack, she finds herself having an unexpectedly romantic night with a now-separated Darcy. She walks away from that, too, and continues on with life until she gets the news that she's pregnant. It could be either Darcy's or Jack's. Both men hop to the challenge. There is still a madcap, slapstick jitteriness to dear Bridget, but calmness has emerged, too — that of a woman who has finally grown into her own skin. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SHORT FILM

Jay Z declares drug war a fail

Jay Z has declared the war on drugs an "epic fail" in a short film he wrote and narrated.

The four-minute clip posted online by The New York Times on Thursday features Jay Z's narration over artist Molly Crabapple's illustrations.

In the video, he complains "young men like me who hustled became the sole villain" when strict drug laws were introduced in the 1980s.

He also suggests treatment of drug dealers is hypocritical given that states like Colorado have legalized marijuana. He also blames mandatory minimum sentences in part for the sharp rise in the U.S. prison population.

Jay Z's four-minute clip was posted online by the New York Times. SCREENSHOT

Jay Z has frequently rapped about his past as a crack dealer. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GOSSIP BRIEFS

Kanye West, Kid Cudi take feud public

Kanye West has wasted no time responding to a storm of critical tweets from his one-time protege Kid Cudi. West ranted against Cudi during his show in Tampa, Florida, Wednesday night, telling Cudi to "never mention" him.

West was referring to Cudi's tweets criticizing "the fake ones" and calling out West and Drake. Another tweet from Cudi read, "Ive been loyal to those who haven't been to me and that ends now. Now im your threat."

West signed Cudi to his G.O.O.D. Music label in 2008. Cudi left the label three years ago. West says he feels "disrespected" and "hurt," while also telling Cudi "I birthed you." THE ASSOCIATED PRES

Dassey lawyers ask for his release during appeal

Attorneys for the man convicted of helping his uncle kill a woman in a case profiled in the popular Netflix series Making a Murderer are asking for his release while his appeal is pending. A 48-page motion filed in federal court argues that Brendan Dassey is not a flight risk and would not pose a danger to the public if he's released. A federal magistrate judge ruled in August that investigators tricked Dassey, then 16, into confessing that he helped his uncle, Steven Avery, rape and kill photographer Teresa Halbach in 2005. The judge ordered that Dassey, now 26, be freed within 90 days unless prosecutors appealed or decided to retry him. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Brendan Dassey. HANDOUT

Oyelowo touts rise of 'Nollywood'

FILMMAKING

Nigerian film industry draws global intrigue

David Oyelowo feels the lure of Nollywood.

The two-time Golden Globe-nominated British star, who spent part of his childhood in Nigeria, says he may return there one day to join its booming movie industry, which is a hot topic at this year's Toronto International Film Festival.

"I can tell by the profile that they are gaining that it's not going to be long before I — to be perfectly frank, as someone who has established their career in Western filmmaking — am going to be desirous to go back and make a film that would be deemed a Nollywood movie," Oyelowo said in an interview at the Toronto film fest.

"Because, for me, excellence is key and I want to work with the best filmmakers in the world, whoever they are, wherever they are. And of course, there's going to be a very particular desire to do that if that is happening in Nigeria."

TIFF's City to City program is showcasing eight titles from Lagos, Nigeria, a prolific centre for cinema.

"Nollywood, it oscillates between being the second- and third-biggest film industry in the world," said Oyelowo, who stars in two films at the fest: the Ugandan chess-champion drama Queen of Katwe and the interracial couple story A United Kingdom.

"Living there myself, being of Nigerian parentage, we love a good story, we love a good yarn. It's very much embedded in the culture and that's why we have this prolific production of movies."

Each year, Nollywood produces about 1,000 low-budget features that generate about $1 billion in ticket sales, according to TIFF.

That's giving rise to a new generation of filmmakers, as well as bigger movie budgets.

"Up until recently, the production value of the films has been fairly low and that has also been impacted by piracy, which means that it's a very hard industry within to make the commensurate amount of remuneration you should for making movies," said Oyelowo.

"So that's also why the production values have remained low, because by and large, about a week or so into having made your movie, it's going to be so pirated that you stop making money for it. So you've got to make all of your money very, very quickly and then move onto the next one."

But new streaming avenues cropping up in Africa are reducing piracy and increasing the quality of the films, added Oyelowo.

He also noted that Nigerians who had emigrated to the U.S. began to return home after the 2008 economic crisis.

"Now they are emerging as entrepreneurs, as filmmakers who have taken what they learned — whether in America or in Europe — back and employing those methods to Nigerian storytelling, and the quality is being driven up," he said.

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Actors Lupita Nyong'o, left, and David Oyelowo onstage at the world premiere of Disney's Queen of Katwe at Roy Thompson Hall as part of the 2016 Toronto Film Festival.

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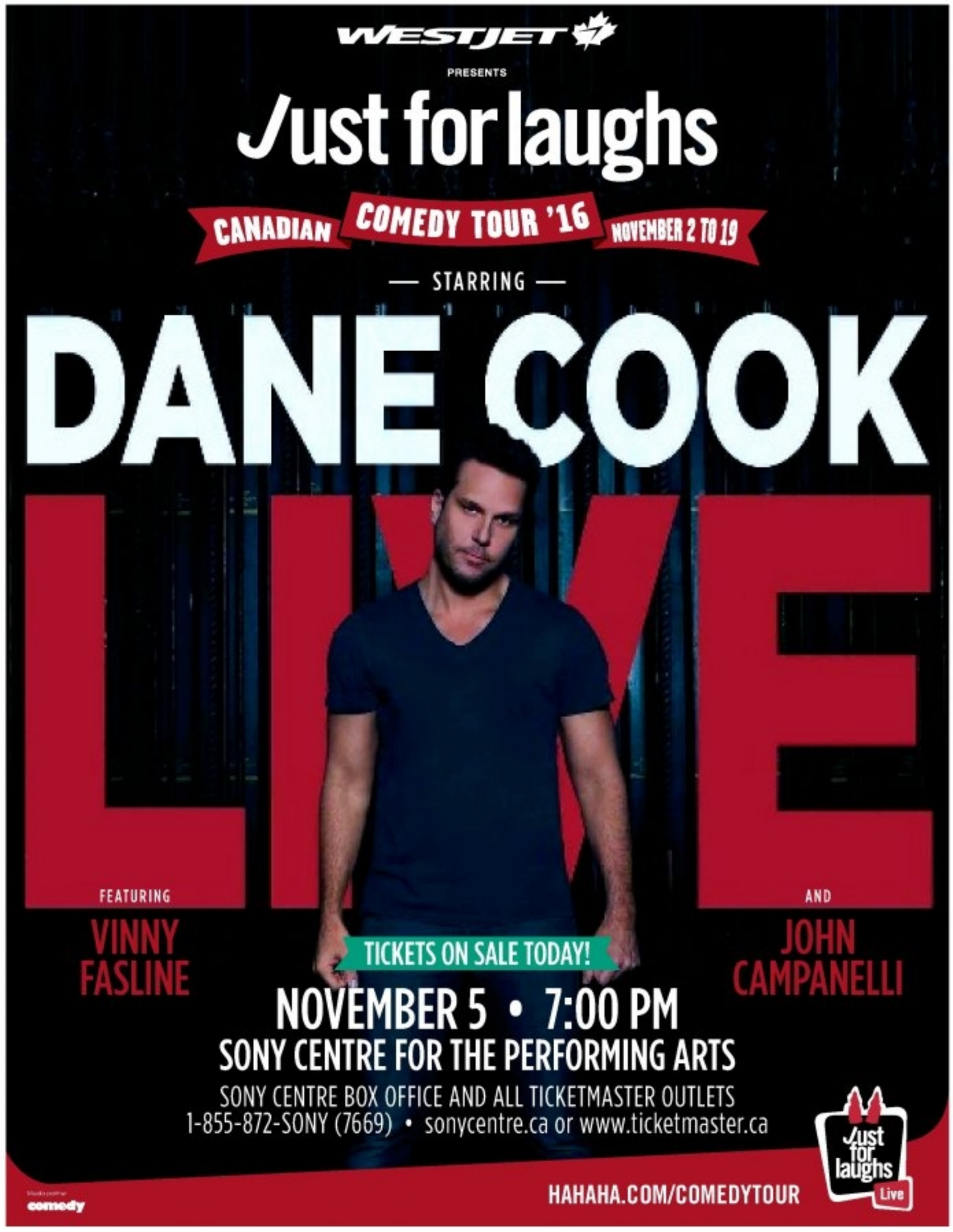
> I believe it won't be long before the movies coming out of Nigeria are going to be at a world-class level. David Oyelowo



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Detroit: The great comeback

While Detroit has not yet completely bounced back from job losses in the automobile industry and the financial crisis of 2008, signs of reinvention are everywhere — like these art murals found at Z Garage, The Belt and other areas.

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URBAN DESTINATIONS

Motor City proves its ingenuity yet again

Jennifer Bain
Torstar News Service

You will feel the energy as soon as you get off the plane at Detroit Metropolitan Airport's McNamara Terminal and make your way through an underground tunnel exploding with a colour-changing light and sound show.

Something remarkable is happening here. The story here is no longer automobile industry collapse, decline, decay and blight. It's about a glorious city that birthed the Model T and Motown, that's coming back better, stronger, artier.

Downtown fills up with passionate sports fans when the Detroit Tigers are playing Comerica Park or the Lions are at Ford Field.

I'll be taking the kids on the Detroit People Mover, with art in all 13 stations. It's just 75 cents and you can stay on the single-track train loop as long as you want.

Corktown is fully hipster and home to the Detroit Institute of Bagels, Batch Brewing (the city's first nano brewery), music destinations, such as the UFO Factory and Hostel Detroit, with its free walking tours.

Downtown, in what was once the garment district, you can't miss the trifecta of the Library Street Collective, the Belt and the Z garage.

Library Street is a cutting-edge modern/contemporary fine-art gallery. With Dan Gilbert-owned Bedrock Real Estate Services, it activated the public alley out its back door into an art experience full of murals and art installations called the Belt.

Surrounding most of the Belt is the Z, a 10-storey "park in the art" garage with a 3D-style façade and interior murals by 27 artists.

To see the city on two wheels, go to Wheelhouse Detroit on the waterfront for a guided tour or bike rental. Pick an iconic black Detroit Bike.

The food in Detroit is amazing too. There's a reason why Food Network Magazine put HopCat's beer-battered Crack Fries sprinkled with cracked black pepper and sided by warm cheese dipping sauce on its Top 10 list. Resistance is futile.

Not far from HopCat at the rustic chic Selden Standard, executive chef/partner Andy Hollyday's New American shared plates and craft cocktails are works of art.

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'Ghetto Guggenheim' draws 300k visitors a year

The Heidelberg Project draws upwards of 300,000 visitors a year to one of America's poorest zip codes for "open air art." Tyree Guyton has been taking a stand against decay, crime and apathy for 30 years and transforming the vacant lots and abandoned homes of his childhood neighbourhood into a "Ghetto Guggenheim" with discarded objects from everyday life.

Art of some form infuses virtually every Detroit moment. It's all over Eastern Market, "a playground for grown-ups" with multiple markets, food, vintage clothing and boutiques.

"I always had this feeling of Detroit having a ghost of a prosperous past, and when I got here it was still lingering," admits Ian Kuali'i, a Hawaii-raised artist in residence from Berkeley, Calif. "Now I'm extremely hopeful for Detroit. As a complete outsider coming in, it's pretty incredible."

Jennifer Bain was hosted by Travel Michigan, which didn't review or approve this story.

Montreal prepares for epic birthday

CELEBRATIONS

$100M party to include theatre performances and carnivals

Giant puppets, street parties and social media-savvy bridge lights are just some of the ways Montreal is planning to celebrate its 375th birthday next year.

The date coincides with the 150th anniversary of Canada's founding and, to celebrate, the city is throwing itself a $100-million bash that includes cultural and historical events, festivals and shows to run throughout 2017. The commissioner of the group organizing the festivities says the city can do with a good party after a recent tough six or seven years that included the Charbonneau Commission looking into corruption in the construction industry.

"We needed that breath of fresh air," Gilbert Rozon said. "We needed to give some love back to Montreal, and also to bring some tourism to Montreal."

The year-long celebration, which will actually kick off in December, making it 375 days long, includes more than 200 events both lavish and local.

The events kick off in December with a variety show, televised on several French-language networks and where the programming will be unveiled.

Highlights of the first months include outdoor winter games, a gathering of 50 top chefs and lighting shows to illuminate the frosty months.

The summer will feature daily outdoor theatre performances, a carnival in each of the city's 19 boroughs and a specially created performance by the giant marionettes of the Royal de Luxe street theatre company.

Outside the budget for the celebrations, the city has also earmarked about $300 million for a series of "legacy" infrastructure projects including renovations to Saint-Joseph's Oratory, improvements to green spaces, public art and a 3.8-kilometre pedestrian walkway to connect the St. Lawrence River to the foot of Mount Royal.

On a smaller scale, the city has also approved some 100 neighbourhood projects run by community organizations.

These are wide-ranging, from podcast walking tours of Notre-Dame-de-Grace to a country music festival in Hochelaga-Maisonneuve to the temporary revival of Belmont Park, a long-closed amusement park in Ahuntsic-Cartierville.

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1 Grand light show
On the grander side of the scale is a $39.5-million plan to light the Jacques-Cartier Bridge beginning May 17, the same date in 1642 when a group of missionaries and French colonists founded what was then a mission called Ville-Marie.

2 By the season
The bridge will be fitted with 2,800 lights that will change colour according to the season.

3 Capturing the energy
The speed, movement and intensity of the lights can also be changed to reflect the current traffic, weather forecasts or what Montrealers are discussing on social media, in order to "reflect the energy of the city" in a subtle way, Rozon said.

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DeAndre Hopkins, who was fined $6,000 by the NFL for his turtle dove coloured Yeezy cleats, will wear them again "if Kanye wants to pay the fine"

The world is his stage

WORLD CUP OF HOCKEY

Crosby has come up big internationally for Canada

When Sidney Crosby first stepped onto the international stage, Team Canada fell flat.

It was 13 years ago in the summer of 2003 and Crosby had just turned 16. He was by far the youngest player on an under-18 squad shooting for an eighth consecutive gold medal at the junior World Cup. But that year, even with the prodigy on hand, Canada finished a distant fourth, trounced 8-2 by the hometown Czechs in the bronze-medal game.

It was by no means a preview of what was to come for Crosby on the world stage.

The Cole Harbour, N.S., native has won nearly everything there is to win while wearing the Maple Leaf, save the World Cup of Hockey, which he'll play in for the first time later this week.

Crosby has come up golden at the world juniors, world championships and twice at the Olympics.

"I feel like every time you put on a Team Canada jersey, you're representing your country, there's a lot of pride that comes with that," Crosby said Thursday at World Cup media day.

His "golden goal" at the 2010 Olympics in Vancouver stands as one of the most impactful goals in the country's history. Indeed, Crosby has met expectations on the international stage, despite the bright spotlight and increased pressure that comes with being the most hyped player of his generation.

> **With that kind of format I think it brings out the best in everyone.**
> Sidney Crosby

"For Sid and a lot of these kids coming up, they have a little bit of an unfair target on their back at all times," said Ryan Getzlaf, a frequent teammate with Canada. "People expect so much out of them on a daily basis that they forget that they're still players and they're still humans. It's part of the role I guess that he's taken on his back and he's done a great job with it."

While it may lack the significance of the Olympics, the World Cup is another chance at international glory on home turf for Canada.

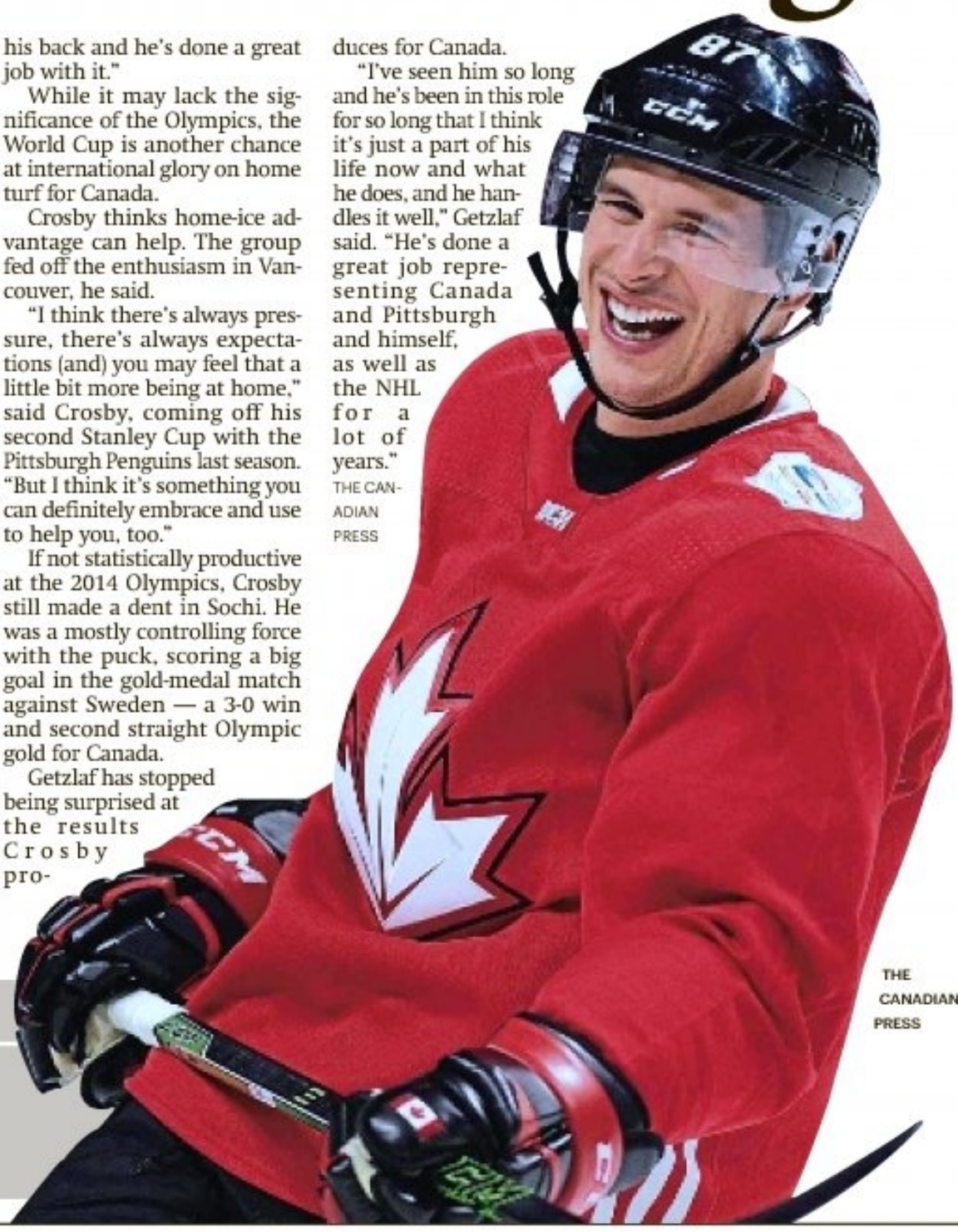
Crosby thinks home-ice advantage can help. The group fed off the enthusiasm in Vancouver, he said.

"I think there's always pressure, there's always expectations (and) you may feel that a little bit more being at home," said Crosby, coming off his second Stanley Cup with the Pittsburgh Penguins last season. "But I think it's something you can definitely embrace and use to help you, too."

If not statistically productive at the 2014 Olympics, Crosby still made a dent in Sochi. He was a mostly controlling force with the puck, scoring a big goal in the gold-medal match against Sweden — a 3-0 win and second straight Olympic gold for Canada.

Getzlaf has stopped being surprised at the results Crosby produces for Canada.

"I've seen him so long and he's been in this role for so long that I think it's just a part of his life now and what he does, and he handles it well," Getzlaf said. "He's done a great job representing Canada and Pittsburgh and himself, as well as the NHL for a lot of years." THE CANADIAN PRESS



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USA VS. Europe, 3:30 p.m.	Sweden vs. Russia, 3 p.m.
Czech Republic vs. Canada, 8 p.m.	North America vs. Finland, 8 p.m.

*All times Eastern

AUSTON MATTHEWS

Top pick ready for ACC debut

The World Cup of Hockey has yet to start but Toronto Maple Leafs teenager Auston Matthews has already made an impression.

"He's just gotten better every day," said Team North America coach Todd McLellan.

"He's shown that he's going to be responsible on both sides of the puck. (He) has a great sense of how to use his body on the ice. He's a big man that protects pucks well. He's able to use speed when he needs it. He's able to slow it down and protect (the puck) when he needs it to use."

Auston Matthews GETTY IMAGES

The six-foot-two 210-pound Matthews "hasn't taken a back seat to anybody — respectfully," said McLellan.

"He has not been shy in the locker-room. He's not been afraid on the ice," the coach added. "He's a pretty exciting player right now. Certainly the Leafs will have a fun one to watch for many years."

Matthews, who turns 19 on Saturday — the opening day of the tournament — is one of eight Leafs taking part in the World Cup.

"It's going to be awesome," said the Arizona native said of his Air Canada Centre debut. "It's going to be a very special moment."

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MLB

Former Red Sox GM joins Jays brass

The Blue Jays can lay at least some of the blame for their current predicament at the feet of Ben Cherington, the newest member of their front office.

Cherington, who was announced Wednesday as the Jays' vice-president of baseball operations, bears no responsibility for their recent tailspin.

But as the former general manager of the Boston Red Sox, he oversaw the assembly of an impressive crop of young stars that have helped the Red Sox leapfrog the Jays into first place.

"Pepsi just hired the guy with Coca-Cola's recipe," is how Evan Drellich of the Boston Herald described the move to Toronto.

A 42-year-old, Harvard-educated New Englander, Cherington has a reputation as an analytically inclined decision maker, which seems to align with Jays' president Mark Shapiro's philosophy. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Go to metronews.ca for more Jays news.

IN BRIEF

Dozier's RBIs helps Twins demolish Tigers

Brian Dozier's two-run single highlighted a four-run second inning and the Minnesota Twins handed the Detroit Tigers a crucial loss, beating them 5-1 on Thursday.

The Tigers were only able to split four games with the lowly Twins, hurting them in the crowded AL wild-card race. Detroit came into the series with a 10-2 record against Minnesota. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Americans dominate beach at Polson Pier

Kerri Walsh Jennings and April Ross won both of their matches on Thursday to win their pool and skip the round of 12 at the Swatch Beach Volleyball FIVB World Tour Finals at Polson Pier.

They won a pair of matches in straight sets to advance to the quarter-finals.

The Americans will play Canadians Heather Bansley and Brandie Wilkerson or Germans Laura Ludwig and Kira Walkenhorst in the quarter-finals Friday. METRO

PARALYMPICS

Another gold for Quebec's Rivard

Aurelie Rivard touched the wall, looked up at the time clock and smacked the water with delight.

The Canadian swim star demolished the field to win the 400-metre freestyle at the Rio Paralympics on Thursday, shattering the world record in the process.

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"Oh man, I'm so happy, I really wanted it," Rivard said, before darting away to prepare for the 4x100 freestyle relay. "I've been training for it for so long and now that I've done it, it's just so amazing."

It was her third gold — and fourth medal — of the Games.

The 20-year-old from Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Que., who was born without a hand, pulled away over the final 200 metres to touch in a world-record four minutes 29.26 seconds. The previous mark was 4:32.79. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sex offender James granted full parole

LAW

Former hockey coach assaulted a number of his players

A decision to grant convicted sex offender Graham James full parole sparked outrage Thursday from some of the players he abused when he was a junior hockey coach.

James, 64, is serving a federal sentence for sexually assaulting players with the Swift Current Broncos of the Western Hockey League in the late 1980s and early '90s.

The Parole Board of Canada's decision followed a hearing in Quebec, where James has lived for several years.

The move to grant James full parole was swiftly denounced by some of his victims.

Victims' rights advocate Sheldon Kennedy, a former NHLer who was abused by James in his junior days, tweeted: "My thoughts are with his victims that struggle every day ... and all victims."

Graham James
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In an interview with Calgary radio station CHQR, Kennedy said he believes James is likely to reoffend and that he won't stay away from minors.

"I personally am disappointed and I feel a sense of fear for Graham James entering our communities again," he said.

Ex-NHL star Theoren Fleury, another of James' sexual targets, repeated in a statement that "Canada is the Disneyland for pedophiles."

"With this judgment we are now, as always, to continue to focus on the path of healing and forgiveness," Fleury said. "If you are looking for closure from the justice system, this in many cases will never happen."

James, who works in technology sales in Montreal, was granted day parole in January and was living in a halfway house and part-time in an apartment. With full parole, he will now serve the remainder of his sentence in the community.

James is prohibited from being employed or volunteering if it puts him in a position of trust with minors.

The other conditions of his full parole are:

- Not being in the presence of minors without an adult approved by a parole officer.
- Not communicating with his victims or their families.
- And having to report any relationship he begins with a male to his parole officer.

The conditions will remain in place until his sentence expires in 2019.

Parole board members said Thursday that James has shown "observable and measurable" progress over the past months, presents a low risk to reoffend and is ready to move to the next phase of his rehabilitation.

Fleury, Kennedy and Fleury's cousin, Todd Holt, are among the six former players James has been convicted of sexually assaulting hundreds of times.

On Thursday, James said there were likely about 20 victims, but that most were "one-time touching" and that anyone he'd spent a lot of time with had come forward.

He has not reoffended since his first release from prison in 1998. THE CANADIAN PRESS

> **While no one can be zero-risk, I feel that I am. I believe that I have led a life that has moved in that direction.** Graham James

NCAA

Penn State to fete Paterno milestone

Penn State detailed plans Thursday to mark the 50th anniversary of Joe Paterno's first win as hundreds of the late coach's former players made their way back to State College for a private reunion, marking a milestone that has emerged as a sensitive issue for the university and people critical of Paterno's role in the Jerry Sandusky child sex abuse scandal.

Athletic director Sandy Barbour said Thursday that commemorations during Penn State's game Saturday against Temple would focus on Paterno's commitment to student-athletes and academics, plus highlights of the 1966 game and players from that team. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Joe Paterno
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IN BRIEF

Padres GM suspended

Major League Baseball suspended San Diego Padres general manager A.J. Preller for 30 days without pay, an unprecedented punishment for what an official said was a failure to disclose medical information when pitcher Drew Pomeranz was traded to the Red Sox in July.

The commissioner's office did not elaborate on what Preller did wrong. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

United and Inter humbled

Feyenoord stunned Manchester United 1-0 in the Europa League on Thursday, handing the English giant a second loss in less than a week.

The win was not the only surprise on a night that featured a shocking defeat for Inter Milan, downed 2-0 at home by Israeli side Hapoel Beer Sheva. Southampton defeated Sparta Prague 3-0 in the same group. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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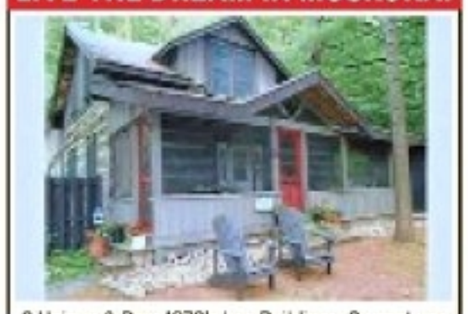

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For Metro Canada

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Ready in 30 minutes
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Cook time: 25 minutes
Serves 4

Ingredients
- 1 x 5 oz can of tuna
- 1 x 15 oz can of cannellini beans
- 1/4 cup red onion, diced fine
- 3 Tbsp lemon juice
- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- salt and pepper to taste
- 4 or 5 radishes, thinly sliced
- 8 or so cherry tomatoes, cut in half
- 1 bunch of arugula, washed, dried and trimmed
- 2 handfuls of fresh basil, washed, dried and trimmed

Directions

1. In a large-ish bowl, mix together the tuna, beans and onions.

2. In a small bowl, whisk lemon juice and olive oil, pour over tuna and mix. You don't want to lose all the texture of the tuna, so don't overdo it. Add salt and pepper to taste. Cover with cling film and chill up to an hour. You can skip this step but it will enhance the flavour.

3. Now it's just an assembly job. You've got four plates. Lay out a handful of greens on each plate, a scoop of tuna deliciousness and then scatter tomatoes, radishes and basil on top.

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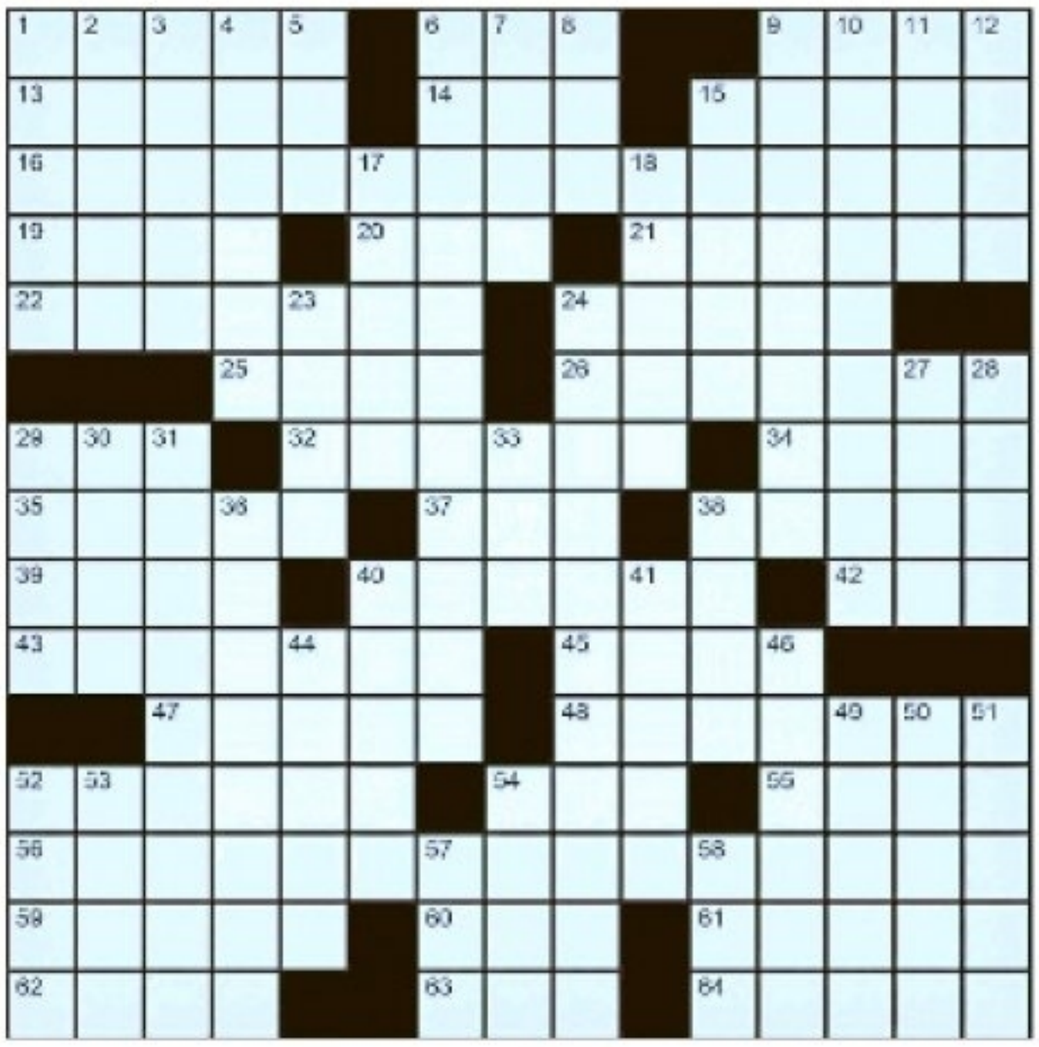

ACROSS
1. "Fiddlesticks!"
6. Vitality
9. "Ac-Cent-_-Ate the Positive"
13. School: French
14. Mason's load holder
15. _ it up (Celebrate)
16. Casually wear a shirt with these: 3 wds.
19. "..._ _ it seems." (That's how things look)
20. Higher-than-a-King symbol
21. Chauffeur's uniform
22. Second 'N' of CNN
24. Granny Smith's gadget?
25. _-Tzu (Woof! Woof!)
26. Drink water
29. Hotness
32. _ up, as muscle cars
34. President Putin, to pals
35. Captain Benjamin _, on "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine"
37. 1989: "Get on Your Feet" singer ...her initials-sharers
38. _ Falls (Vancouver Island's high waterfall)
39. Medieval silk/gold fabric
40. Town on Lake Ontario east of Toronto
42. Academic year div.
43. "Huh...??": 2 wds.
45. "_! _ rodent!"
47. Fathers: French
48. Edmonton-born actress, _ _ Chong
52. _ Marcus (American retailer)
54. Hip-Hop music label co-founded by Birdman, for short
55. Margarine
56. Journalistic group since 1846: 2 wds.
59. Fall guy
60. Airport screen wd.
61. Bristly hairs
62. Python's plaints
63. Pub order
64. All in _ _ work

DOWN
1. 1955: Ousted leader of Argentina, Juan _
2. Outcome of interest to a sports fan
3. "The Planets" composer Gustav
4. Permits
5. Small
6. Montreal-born celebrity chef/restaurateur: 2 wds.
7. Optimism
8. Egos and _
9. "Bitter Sweet Symphony" act: 2 wds.
10. Car mechanic uniforms
11. Tiller
12. _-daisy!
15. Kelly LeBrock movie, "_ Science" (1985)
17. Racecar driver Mr. Franchitti
18. American architect, Frank _ Wright
23. "_, _ that's how it's gonna be, eh?!"
24. Just east of Calgary city called 'Alberta's Oasis'
27. "Shark _" (2004)
28. Cheesy ball
29. Joni Mitchell's "The Last Time _ _ Richard"
30. Sumptuous
31. Reality rejecters
33. Spuds exporter, e.g.
36. British supermodel: 2 wds.
38. "Coach" star, Jerry Van _
40. "_ _ Was Young" by Eric Burdon & The Animals
41. Shaver's target
44. Canadian racecar great Paul
46. Worshipped
49. Prince Valiant's beloved
50. "Shall _ _...?" (How does this work for everyone)
51. Breathers
52. Shortly snoozes
53. Those, in Spain
54. Key below Shift
57. Battery size
58. Safety message, e.g.

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Today's Full Moon could trigger problems with co-workers, customers and clients. Just be patient, because this is only a 48-hour stress.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
The Full Moon today can make people emotional and reactionary. You might notice this in romantic relationships; you also will notice it when dealing with children. Just be patient.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
It will be difficult to fulfill the demands of home and family versus the demands of your career and public reputation. Today you cannot ignore home and family.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
This is an accident-prone day for your sign, because of the energy of the Full Moon. Therefore, go slowly and think before you speak or act. Pay attention!

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Disputes about money, possessions or loans might arise today because the Full Moon always brings things to a head. Don't be overreactive. Think positive.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Today the only Full Moon opposite your sign all year is taking place. That's why relations with partners and close friends are testy and fragile. Be nice.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Be extra-patient when dealing with others today, especially at work or on the job. Whenever there is a Full Moon, everyone is reactionary and more emotional than usual.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Don't jump the gun when dealing with friends or a member of a group today. Wait to see what they want. Today is a Full Moon, and this can affect your relations with others.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Despite the demands of home and family, you have to acknowledge the demands of your job or even your public image today. (The Full Moon will create conflicts here.)

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Pay attention to everything you say and do today, because this is a mildly accident-prone day for your sign, simply because of the Full Moon energy.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Quarrels about money and shared possessions might arise today because of the Full Moon. This is a poor day to discuss how to divide an inheritance

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Today the only Full Moon in your sign is taking place. This can make you more emotional than usual. Take a deep breath and chill out.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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